



CHIEF COOK . . . Eddie Schneider, now starting his second year with the famous Mitchell Choirboys, is the number one man in the kitchen of the Mitchell boys home, where several of the choir laddies live. Eddie is shown whipping up a savory concoction at his home, here. (Herald photo).

Hot Cakes or Handel, Eddie's Specialty

If Bing Crosby can whip up a mighty tasty stack of hot cakes, then fourteen-year-old Eddie Schneider is one step closer to his goal than he may think. For Eddie, who is now starting his second year with the renowned Mitchell Choir boys in Hollywood, hopes to follow in the footsteps of der Bingle. Eddie, whose mom and dad Mr. and Mrs. Edward Schneider, and his six-month-old sister Sheryllyn Sue live at 17314 Elgar Ave., is the "chief cook" for the choir laddies who live at Director Bob Mitchell's home. Before joining the organization, where he attends school four hours a day and rehearses for three, Eddie attended the Perry School here. The Schneiders moved from Gardena to their Elgar Ave. home three years ago. As a member of Cub Scout Pack 767 at Alondra Park, the singer was called upon many times to perform for the group.

Jurors Needed For City Court

A call for jurors was issued this week by City Judge Otto B. Willett. At least two jury cases are on the docket for the near future and sufficient names must be listed to insure proper impaneling on trial days. Three dollars per day is paid to those who serve. All must be legally qualified, registered voters. Interested persons may contact Judge Willett at the City Court or call Torrance 627.

Fresh Water Dams Operate Despite Order

Fresh water "dams" — the pumping of fresh water into underground water storage reservoirs to prevent the intrusion of salt water is continuing in the West Basin, despite a request by the state for the basin to clarify its legal position with respect to the project. Carl Fossette, manager of the West Basin Water Association, said he interpreted the State Water Resources Board order not as a "stop-work" ultimatum but only a desire to clear up some of the legal aspects. State Board members were pondering the problem that a wave of salt solution is forced into the interior fresh water basins, and also that Metropolitan Water District would not supply enough water to allow West Basin to finish their project. Fossette says that saline waves are only temporary in nature; also, MWD has guaranteed sufficient water, he stated.

Creeger Bows Out as Chamber President, Plomert Takes Over



HENRY W. CREEGER . . . Gets Special Gavel

With the plaudits of fellow directors ringing in his ears, Henry W. Creeger bowed out as president of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce Monday evening. All 14 fellow Chamber directors attended the fellowship dinner party at the Jonathan Club in Los Angeles. Also present to honor the retiring president was City Manager George Stevens, School Superintendent J. H. Hull and Charles Schultz, liaison member of the Junior Chamber of Commerce. Presentation of an appropriately engraved gavel to President Creeger was made by Vice-President Reed Parkin, who reviewed the highlights of Chamber of Commerce activities during the past year. Under Creeger's leadership the governing board membership was enlarged from nine to 15 in order to broaden representation of the community. The educational campaign resulting in approval of the recent water bond election was financed and planned as a Chamber activity as recommended by President Creeger.



CELEBRATE ANNIVERSARIES . . . Woodrow Gragg (1) and John C. Ruffer are this week celebrating anniversaries with American Standard.—Herald Photo.

American Standard Honors Two Long Service Workers

Two American-Standard employees are this week celebrating the completion of more than half a century of service with the company. Receiving congratulations are John C. Ruffer, of 213 Via la Circula, Hollywood Riviera, who boasts 38 years of service with American Standard; and Woodrow Gragg of Redondo who has completed 15 years. Adding his personal thanks to the two men for their many years of service to the company was Henry W. Creeger, plant manager. Ruffer, chief clerk of the Torrance works since the plant was organized in 1947, started with the company as a traveling auditor. Gragg was first employed as a caster at the company's San Pablo works. He served with the U. S. Air Force during

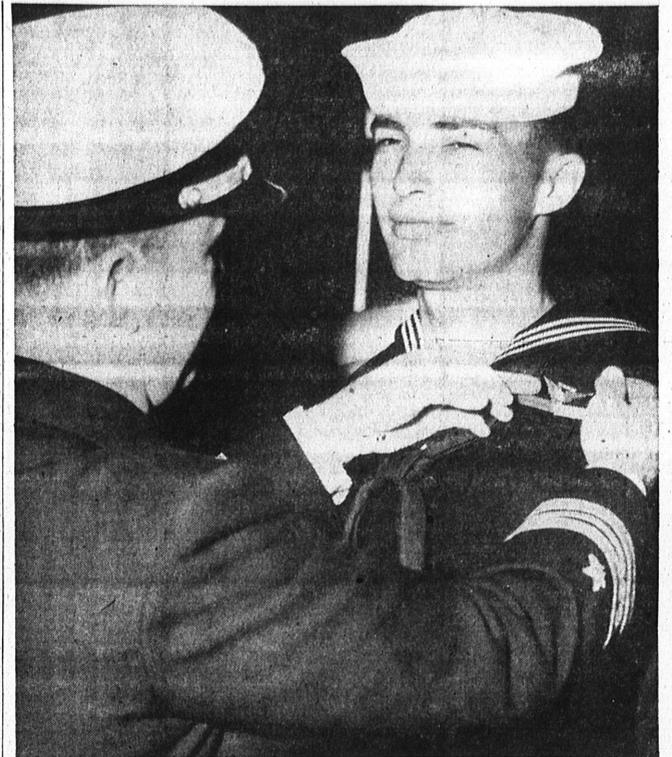
World War II and was assigned to the Torrance works as a cast shop foreman when the plant was opened here in 1948. American Standard, which operates 46 plants in the United States, Canada and Europe, employs about 35 persons in the Torrance plant.

Army Verifies 40th Division All In Korea

All of California's 40th Division National Guard fighting men are now in the thick of battle, pounding at dug in Comies on the Korean front lines the Army said this week. This means that Torrance and Long Beach men connected with the 578th Engineers, mostly with Charlie and Dog Companies, are seeing plenty of action. The announcement was the first official statement by Army men that all of "California's own" was in Korea. Recent reports that casualties with the 578th were heavy were dispelled by one local man this week in a letter to his parents. The fighter, whose name has been withheld, said that only a few Torrance area men have been killed or injured in the fight.

Cubbers Roundtable

Cubbers Roundtable will be held Monday evening, March 17 at 7:30 in the Torrance Elementary auditorium.



GETS COMBAT WINGS . . . Ewell Edwards Jr., 23, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ewell Edwards, 22436 Meyler St., receives his Navy Combat Aircrew Wings from Lt. Comdr. Owen L. Maupin, acting commanding officer of Air Anti-Submarine Squadron 21 at San Diego.—(U. S. Navy Photo).

Beach Crash Injures Six

A Torrance woman and her three children received minor injuries Saturday afternoon in a spectacular crash near downtown Redondo Beach. Mrs. Sarah L. Boyanton, 36, of 4724 Del Amo St., and her three children, Claudia, 3; Barbara, 15, and Edna Mae, 12, were transported to Harbor General Hospital after the collision. Two ambulances were called to the scene. Most seriously hurt was Eugene A. Hubbard, 46, of Hermosa, driving the other auto. A passenger in his car was also injured. Mrs. Boyanton and witnesses told Redondo police that the Hubbard car, driving west on Diamond St., turned without warning into the path of her machine.

Korea Vet On Way Home

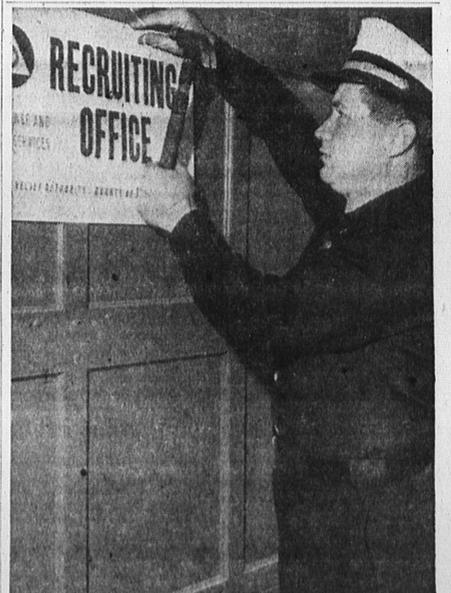
Cpl. Curtis C. Henry, of 1515 W. 223rd St., arrived in Seattle on the U. S. Navy transport Marine Phoenix from the Korean War Tuesday, the Army announced this week. Henry's wife, Ila Dean, and his daughter can expect him to sail southward in the near future, they disclosed. The soldier was recently awarded the Good Conduct Medal. He had been overseas since November, 1950. Henry entered the service in 1936. He was assigned to the 578th Engineers Utilities Detachment, Third Logistical Command.

County Seeks Men For CD Fire Plan

There's an all-out recruiting campaign going on at county fire stations nowadays. And firemen at the Carson St. Station, 404 E. Carson St., have hung out the "Recruiting Office" sign and are all set to go, according to Fire Captains Ed Evans and Don Mitchell, Engine 36. The program is part of the recently revised State Office of Civilian Defense recruiting campaign to sign volunteer workers who will attend training sessions in various phases of public safety and disaster work. Comprising only 40 hours of actual training time, the fire auxiliary program was launched to make sure that a ready supply of trained men would be available to combat fires in the event of a bombing or a major local disaster. Included in the course are discussions and actual drill periods—using county fire-fighting trucks and equipment. The Keystone-Avalon area is in Area F of the state plan and auxiliaries will be trained to handle fire problems which are unique to that area, according to Capt. A. F. McCrary, of Engine 36. Able-bodied men who are interested in signing up in the program are urged to drop in at the Carson St. station.

Torrance Naval Airman Receives Wings for Outstanding Air Work

Recognition of service in combat as a member of one of the Navy's "hunter-killer" teams came this week to Ewell Edwards Jr., 23, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ewell Edwards, 22436 Meyler St. Now a member of the San Diego-based Air Anti-Submarine Squadron 21, Edwards has been awarded the Navy combat aircrew wings by his commanding officer. In order to receive this honor he had to undergo several months of intensive training and demonstrate an outstanding ability in air work. Flight training emphasized teamwork between pilots and their assigned aircrewmembers and consisted of search, interception bombing and navigation flights during low visibility conditions. Edwards has already had one tour of duty in the Far East where VS-31 flew anti-submarine patrol missions. The squadron flies Grumman Avengers which have been especially equipped for anti-submarine warfare by installation of intricate detection equipment. These planes fly in pairs to create a deadly "hunter-killer" teams. One plane carrying a maze of detection equipment finds the submarine and leads the bomb-laden killer in for the attack. Edwards and his wife now live in San Diego. Plan St. Patrick's Day Dance for Monday Night A St. Patrick's Day dance sponsored by the Holy Name Society of the Nativity Catholic Church will be held in the Civic Auditorium here Monday evening (St. Patrick's Day), with Tom Ulrich and his popular orchestra furnishing the music. The sponsoring society is asking for a donation of \$1 per person for the dance. Soft drinks and coffee will be available.



CAPT. A. F. MCCRARY . . . The Fire Department Wants You



GET A HORSE—ER A BIKE . . . Truck driver Kaiser Corona ponders the plight of his large milk truck which became stuck in a boggy unpaved stretch of road on 166th St. during the weekend's heavy rains. But the mud didn't slow down Don Perez, 1634 Chaner Ave., in plaid coat and John Snyder, of 1636 Atkinson Ave. (Herald photo).